

RESOLUTIONS

OF

THE LEGISLATURE OF INDIANA,

RELATIVE

To a pre-emption and reduction of the price of the public lands to actual settlers.

MARCH 3, 1846.

Referred to the Committee on Public Lands, and ordered to be printed.

A JOINT RESOLUTION for the reduction of the price of public lands to actual settlers.

Whereas it is the opinion of this general assembly of the State of Indiana, that there is no measure that could be consummated that would insure a greater quantity of good to a greater number of people than to place within the reach of every citizen of the United States a *home*: Therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana*, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives be requested, to endeavor to proceed [procure] the passage of a law by Congress to grant to each and every citizen of the United States settling *bona fide* on any public lands of the United States, a pre-emption to the same for three years; at the expiration of said time to purchase one quarter section of said lands so resided on, at fifty cents per acre; and,

SEC. 2. *Be it further resolved*, That his excellency the governor be directed to transmit a copy of the foregoing resolution to each of our delegates in Congress immediately after its passage.

JOHN S. SIMONSON,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

J. G. READ,

President of the Senate.

Approved January 19, 1846.

JAS. WHITCOMB.

STATE OF INDIANA, to wit:

I, John H. Thompson, secretary of state for the said State of Indiana, certify that the above is a full and correct copy of the enrolled joint resolution now on file in my office.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the seal

[L. s.] of State, at Indianapolis, this 22d day of January, A. D. 1846.

JNO. H. THOMPSON, *Secretary of State.*

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THE LEGISLATURE OF INDIANA

To a proposition and reduction of the prices of the public lands to actual
values, and to a proposition to amend the laws relating to the same.
March 21 1856.
Manner 3, 1846, and ordered to be printed.
Referred to the Committee on Public Lands, and ordered to be printed.

A JOINT RESOLUTION for the reduction of the prices of public lands to actual values.
Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Indiana, That there is no measure that could be recommended that would insure a greater quantity of good to a greater number of people than to place within the reach of every citizen of the United States a home; Therefore, Section 2. It is enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Indiana, That the Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives be requested, to endeavor to procure [insert] the passage of a law by Congress to grant to each and every citizen of the United States settling upon the on any public lands of the United States a pre-emption to the same for three years; at the expiration of said time to purchase one quarter section of said lands so resided on, at fifty cents per acre; and, instead of the same, to transmit a copy of the foregoing resolution to each of our Senators in Congress immediately after its passage.

JOHN S. THOMPSON

JOHN H. THOMPSON, Secretary of the House of Representatives,
certifies that the above is a full and correct copy of the enrolled joint resolution.
Approved January 13, 1856.
JOHN H. THOMPSON, Secretary of State.
STATE OF INDIANA, to wit:
I, John H. Thompson, Secretary of State for the said State of Indiana, certify that the above is a full and correct copy of the enrolled joint resolution now on file in my office.
In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand, and affixed the seal of State, at Indianapolis, this 23d day of January, A. D. 1856.
JNO. H. THOMPSON, Secretary of State.